FEELING IN LONDON.

...CIAL CORRESPONDENT REVIEWS THE TROUBLE.

It Looks Like a Mere Newspaper War—Opinions of the Club Men—Salisbury's Course Approved—Fell Like a Bomb Says Another.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—No one in the think... of events here and in a position to judge of public feeling can honestly affirm that the country is in the state of excitement over the difficulties that have arisen in connection with the Anglo-Venezuelan dispute that some of the newspapers represent. Whatever partial effervescence existed over president Cleveland's message, is now evaporating, and if no new surprise is sprung upon the British people the whole thing will become a mere newspaper war. Official and diplomatic circles have never shared in the extreme alarmist views that have found expression in the press, and the placidity prevailing at the foreign office may be judged from the fact that prime minister Salisbury has seen no cause to summon a meeting of the cabinet to consider the position. It is ex...ed that no cabinet meeting will be held ... views of the American govern...ed in a despatch that Mr. ...rican secretary of state, is ... about to send in reply to ...e, has reached the ... making enquiries he ... report was likely ...ed, the representative of ...ress learned that it was ex...y in January. It depends upon ...ure and tone of Mr. Olney's communication whether the situation will become really critical. In the meantime the policy of the foreign office is to "lay low and say nothing." English jingoism, braying in response to American jingoism, may go on, but it does not represent genuine public sentiment, nor can newspaper opinion be taken as an absolutely sure guide to the national feeling.

In seeking to gauge the currents of public opinion the reporter tried to ascertain what ideas prevailed at the leading clubs. The club houses are now comparatively empty, it being the recess time of parliament and the eve of Christmas holidays, but quite a number of town members were found. Getting in touch with several members of the Carlton, the great conservative club, it was not surprising to find them concurring in the hope that Lord Salisbury would maintain his policy of no compromise, whatever might be the risk of war. The tory land owners inheriting the traditions of the party and personally interested in ...nced values for home grown gra..., are naturally the war party. Their ..., are strong in the democratic institutions ...alike of the United States and to the equanimity ... which they regard a breach between the ... British and American peoples. At the Constitutional ..., a less exclusive organization than the Carlton, the opinions expressed were much ...ounced. Perhaps jingoism was more ...ant. At the ...form club, where ...m still lingers ... some strength, ...ent Cleveland's message was resented ...diverting by. The liberals hoped ...ch ...alisbury's policy in ...ssage is certain to ...port of the government ...y of resistance to ...hagrin over their ... the Rosebery ...ingoish. Their respect for ...berley, secretary of state ... to Lord Rosebery's cabi... approval of Lord Salisbury ... to the Earl of Kimberley's ...

... liberal club the dominant ... regret that the quarrel ...nate the peoples of the ...d lessen the influence of ... here and so lessen demo... in Great Britain. ...beral club has more ...bers and among them ...g upon republicanism, ...est affiliation with the ...d with American ideas ...spiration. There is no ... that intense disappoint... the message ...onal ...have ...ticle. ...re... Na... the ...ale

...credit Mr. Cleveland with being ... tious and honest, and believe he is not influenced by party motives. They, however, consider his message as showing aberration of judgment.

The ignorance of the English masses in regard to the real issues between the governments must ere long operate to restrain Lord Salisbury from following an active policy of sheer defiance of America. The Monroe doctrine breaks upon the bulk of the populace like the enigma of the sphinx. The locality of the dispute is to them a geographical mystery. Even the Westminster Gazette, an organ of the educated classes, thinks it necessary to inform its readers that neither British Guiana nor Demerara is an island, as is generally supposed in Egypt. Before the government dares to commit the country the people will want to know what the trouble is about.

The queen is showing the keenest anxiety in the difficulty. Lord Salisbury was closeted yesterday at the foreign office, not seeing even the diplomats. In the evening he sent a long despatch to her majesty at Osborne house, on the Isle of Wight, where she is at present sojourning.

Fell Like a Bomb.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—A special cable to the Press from London says: The belief that the great powers of Europe supported England in the Venezuelan controversy is now exploded. Russia is now frank in her delight at the embarrassment of Lord Salisbury's government, and France seeing her opportunity has suddenly veered to the Russian view.

The news of the senate's action in unanimously passing the house bill ... penses of Y...

missioners whom the president will appoint to investigate the Venezuelan boundary dispute will be: Ex-United States Senator George F. Edmunds, Vermont; the Hon. Andrew D. White, ex-president of Cornell university, and ex-minister to Russia; the Hon. Edward J. Phelps, ex-minister to the court of St. James. Mr. Edmund and Mr. Phelps are generally regarded as especially qualified for the work on account of their thorough knowledge of international law.

WILD TIMES ON 'CHANGE.

Feverish Feeling in New York—The Stock Exchange Was Lively.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Wall street witnessed another exciting scene this morning when the stock exchange opened for business. Long before the hour for beginning business large crowds had massed themselves in the circular galleries, standing in rows of two and three deep. An unusual number of ladies were present and the exchange presented a lively spectacle. The operating brokers, looking grim and worried, were early discussing, with much animation, the critical situation.

Yesterday's sudden onslaught of English holdings swept many men off their feet here. Immediately after the chairman's gavel announced the opening of the market there was a repetition of yesterday's wild scenes.

There was another smashing of stocks all round. As price after price went lower and lower a feverish feeling began to spread among the operators. There seemed nothing to encourage a better feeling or steady the market.

Failure In The United States.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—The failure of Hatch Bros., was announced at the exchange at 11:15 a.m. The firm consisted of W. D. Hatch and Horace Hatch—with the former as the board member. The firm conducted its business at No. 60 Broadway.

At 10:30 a.m. the failure of H. K. Burns & Co. was announced.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 21.—Fisk & Goff, clothiers, Boston, Mass., and Portland, Maine, have assigned.

Suspended Financial Accommodation.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—The Globe says: "The financial kings of the old world are firmly resolved that such a horror as war between England and the United States shall not occur and they will not hesitate to employ any means to prevent it. Our great banks are insisting upon the immediate repayment of advances made to American houses at the same time intimating that they will suspend financial accommodation, so long as the menace of an American commission to locate the boundary of British Guiana hangs in the air."

Has Cost the Country $1,000,000,000.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Chauncey M. Depew said: "The war has already cost the country $1,000,000,000 in depreciated values and it has been going on for only three days. I met the man yesterday who owns most of the swamp in Venezuela which is in dispute, and he said he would sell in to me for $25,000."

In a State of Collapse.

VIENNA, Dec. 21.—Owing to the panic in American securities the bourse to-day is in a state of collapse.

THE LARGEST IN YEARS.

The Attendance at the Market To-Day Was Large.

The market to-day was the largest in years; every inch of available space was taken up by farmers. The fine weather and good roads were accountable for the large attendance. The mild weather also had the effect of keeping prices at a low standard. Rates were not so high as those of previous years. The minimum and maximum prices for commodities offered for sale to-day were as here given: Beef, 2c. to 3½c. a lb.; pork, 5c. to 6c. a lb.; lamb, 5c. to 6c. a lb.; mutton, 4c. to 5c. a lb.; turkeys, 75c. to $1.75 each; geese, 50c. to $1 each; ducks, 60c. to 80c. a pair; chickens, 40c. to 50c. a pair; fowl, 50c. to 60c. a pair; potatoes, 30c. to 35c. a bag; apples, 50c. to 75c. a bag; butter, pound prints, 18c. to 20c.; rolls, 16c. to 18c.; eggs, 22c. to 25c. a dozen.

THE SERVANT DEMANDED.

Riots at Chang. China, because a Native Official was Killed.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 21.—Riots which promised serious consequences occurred a day or two ago at Chang, growing out of the fact that a native official of that place was accidently shot by a Chinese servant belonging on board the British gunboat Esk. Public disturbances ensued and the local authorities made a demand upon Lieut. Ravenhill, commanding the Esk, for the surrender of the servant, which has not yet been answered. It is expected that if the demand is not complied with further riots will occur.

The Sentences Imposed.

TORONTO, Dec. 21.—Judge McDougall this morning passed a number of sentences in the court of general sessions. The heaviest was imposed on William MacMillan, convicted of starting the Osgoodby fire, on Jan. 10th, and causing damage to the extent of $700,000. MacMillan was sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary, a punishment lighter than many expected, in view of the fifteen years sentence passed on William Curry, for arson, a few days earlier.

On receiving sentence MacMillan said: "Your honor charged the jury very strongly against me and on that charge they found me guilty. As sure as God is in heaven I was not the cause of that fire." James Free was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary for cattle stealing.

Undertaking Arrival.

The Harrison Co. have just received their stock of funeral furnishings, consisting of everything in that line necessary to the equipment of a first-class establishment. The handsome new hearse is of the latest

THE AFFAIRS OF THE HOUR.

TELEGRAMS FROM THE EARTH'S FOUR QUARTERS GIVEN.

Little Matters that Interest Everybody—Notes From All Over—Little of Everything Easily Read and Remembered.

The North German Lloyd str. Spree is still hard and fast upon the rocks.

The queen is in much feebler health than usual, but her condition does not cause anxiety.

President Cleveland yesterday sent a special message to the senate on the subject of bonds.

Sir Hibbert Tupper and Hon. T. M. Daly are campaigning in Cardwell. Dr. Montague left for home yesterday.

A boat belonging to the British warship Acorn was capsized at Montevideo, yesterday, and five seamen were drowned.

Lord Salisbury will entertain a large party at Hatfield House, his residence in Hertfordshire, during the Christmas holidays.

There were rumors in Washington yesterday that Mr. Bayard the United States ambassador to Great Britain was to be recalled.

The firm of I. H. Taylor & Co., bankers and brokers, Philadelphia, failed this morning. This is one of the oldest firms on the street.

The Spanish government is endeavoring to raise a loan of fifty million pesetas from the Spanish banks for the purpose of prosecuting the campaign in Cuba.

The date for the holding of the Irish national conference has now been fixed for May. America, Australia, New Zealand ...th Africa will send delegates.

Price & Co., Congress street stock brokers, Boston, have failed. The announcement was made on the stock exchange this morning.

A detachment of cavalry will be kept on the skirmish in southern Arizona all winter, or until renegade Indians are forced to surrender or return to their reservation or until they are killed.

The persons of African descent in the United States are classified according to the degree of colored blood into 6,337,980 blacks, 946,989 mulattoes, 105,135 quadroons, and 69,936 octoroons.

The Philadelphia street car strikers were notified this morning that a compromise with the officials of the Union Traction company had been reached and all the men were told to return to work.

Three children were suffocated this morning by a fire which occurred in the frame dwelling, No. 21 Parkham street, Philadelphia, occupied by Andrew Perdue, his daughter, Mary Johnson, and her three children.

Trouble is impending in the Transvaal, where the growing British population threatens to start a rebellion against the Boer government unless they are conceded privileges of citizenship equal to those enjoyed by the Boers.

Two persons were killed and several injured by an accident this morning on the Frankford division of the Philadelphia & Reading R.R. The accident was a head-on collision of passenger trains and resulted from a violation of running orders.

In Europe there are 4,500,000 more females than males; in Great Britain, 900,000; in Massachusetts, 60,000; and in Boston, 17,000 more females than males, and, if president Cleveland is in earnest and carries out his threat, the disproportion will be increased in five years' time.

Cuivre river is very high all over the bottom from bluff to bluff, and is upon the houses in the prairie bottom east of Old Monro, John Heitman, August Longnecker, W. Meadows and wife and a stepson of James Blankinship, named Martin, while leaving their house in a skiff were drowned.

At a meeting of the English church union, at which the Duke of Newcastle presided, it was decided to petition the bishops to order clergymen to refuse to marry persons who have been divorced, such marriages being contrary to the law of the church and a grevious injury to christian morality.

St. Nicholas Magazine recently offered prizes for the best corrections of a misspelled poem. More than ten thousand answers were received; results and names of prize winners will appear in January St. Nicholas. Answers came from all over the world. The committee reluctantly make the admission that the penmanship of the English and Canadian children excels that of Uncle Sam's boys and girls.

WILL NOT RECEDE.

The School Question is Now on Top in the North-west.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 21.—A meeting of the Manitoba cabinet was held yesterday, when a reply to the dominion government on the remedial order was adopted. Premier Greenway stated that his government would not recede from its position.

In a recent speech at Edmonton, N.W.T., Archbishop Langevin ridiculed the idea of appointing a commission on the school question and honored the Ottawa government, who were prepared to give them the right to educate their children according to their conviction.

A Portsmouth Pioneer Dead.

Mrs. Seymour, widow of the late William Seymour, for many years a highly respected resident of Portsmouth, passed to her reward last evening after a long and useful life. Mrs. Seymour was one of the oldest residents of the village, having settled there over fifty years ago. She was an adherent of the Roman Catholic church, and was always very strict in her religious duties, not having missed a regular service in the church for years until Sunday last, when she was stricken with paralysis. The stroke proved fatal, to the deep regret of a large proportion of the community. A son and two daughters, two sisters and three brothers survive, to mourn the loss of an affectionate mother and sister. The funeral will be held to-morrow forenoon.

The Brother Must Keep Away.

PERTH, Dec. 21.—Fred. McGowan was arraigned before Judge ...

AT THE LADIES' COLLEGE.

The Result of the Christmas Examinations In Three Classes.

Class I includes all those who have gained sixty per cent. of the marks. Class II includes all who have gained forty-five per cent. Class III includes those who have obtained less than forty-five per cent. The names of those who have obtained less than thirty-three per cent. do not appear.

MATRICULATION CLASS.

Latin—Class I, Minnie Letendre, Anna Lesslie (equal); Ethel Herchmer, Marion Calvin, Winnie Hague, Ethelwyn Loucks. Class II, Lorraine Minnes, Marion Redden.

French—Class I, Minnie Letendre, Anna Lesslie, Marion Calvin, Ethel Herchmer, Jeanie Petrie (equal); Winnie Hague, Lorraine Minnes. Class II, Ethelwyn Loucks. Class III, Marion Redden.

German—Class I, Ethel Herchmer, Anna Lesslie, Marion Calvin, Lorraine Minnes. Class II, Marion Redden, Winnie Hague. Class III, Etta Kirkpatrick.

Greek—Class I, Ethel Herchmer. Class II, Ethelwyn Loucks.

History—Class I, Winnie Hague, Ethel Herchmer, Marion Calvin, Anna Lesslie, (equal); Lorraine Minnes, Etta Kirkpatrick, Jean Petrie, (equal); Edna Thomson, Ethelwyn Loucks, Marion Redden.

Physiology and Hygiene—Class I, Minnie Letendre.

History of English Literature—Class I, Minnie Letendre.

English — Class I, Minnie Letendre, Marion Calvin, Ethel Herchmer, Anna Lesslie, Lorraine Minnes, Marion Redden; Ethelwyn Loucks, Winnie Hague, (equal); Jean Petrie, Etta Kirkpatrick, Edna Thomson, Susie Young.

Mathematics—Class I, Minnie Letendre, Marion Redden, Etta Kirkpatrick; Ethel Herchmer, Marion Calvin, (equal). Class II, Winnie Hague, Ethelwyn Loucks. Class III, Lorraine Minnes.

Divinity—Class I, Winnie Hague; Ethel Herchmer, Minnie Letendre, (equal); Ethelwyn Loucks, Etta Kirkpatrick, Anna Lesslie, Lorraine Minnes, Jean Petrie. Class II, Marion Redden.

General proficiency — Class I, Ethel Herchmer, Marion Calvin, Lorraine Minnes, Marion Redden, Ethelwyn Loucks. Class II, Etta Kirkpatrick.

SENIOR CLASS.

Latin—Class I, Bessie Smythe, Kathleen Kirkpatrick, Effie Fenwick, Elsie Saunders, Jessie Field. Class II, Marguerite Carr-Harris, Louise Barnet, Grace Barnet.

French—Class I, Nellie Letendre, Bessie Smythe, Kathleen Kirkpatrick, Elsie Saunders, May Thomson, May Carr-Harris, Agnes Richardson. Class II, Jessie Field, Ethel Hendry.

German—Class I, Kathleen Kirkpatrick, Bessie Smythe, Mary Cotton, Effie Fenwick. Class II, Agnes Richardson.

History—Class I, Kathleen Kirkpatrick, Bessie Smythe, Agnes Richardson, Elsie Saunders, Nellie Letendre, Louise Barnet, Mary Cotton. Class II, Effie Fenwick, May Thomson. Class III, Grace Barnet.

English—Class I, Bessie Smythe, Kathleen Kirkpatrick, Elsie Saunders, Agnes Richardson, Marguerite Carr-Harris, Nellie Letendre, Jessie Field, Louise Barnet, Mary Cotton, Effie Fenwick, May Thomson, Grace Barnet. Class II, Ethel Hendry.

Mathematics—Class I, Bessie Smythe, Kathleen Kirkpatrick, Elsie Saunders, (equal); Mary Cotton; Louise Barnet, Effie Fenwick, (equal). Class II, May Thomson, Jessie Field, Grace Barnet, Nellie Letendre. Class III, Agnes Richardson.

Divinity—Class I, Bessie Smythe, Kathleen Kirkpatrick, Nellie Letendre, Mary Cotton, Agnes Richardson, Effie Fenwick. Class II, Elsie Saunders, Ethel Hendry.

General Proficiency — Class I, Bessie Smythe, Kathleen Kirkpatrick, Elsie Saunders, Agnes Richardson. Class II, Effie Fenwick, May Thomson, Mary Cotton, Louise Barnet, Jessie Field.

JUNIOR CLASS.

Latin—Class I, Madalon Carter, May Thomson. Class III, Edith Pense.

French—Class I, Edith Pense, Beatrice McGill, Madalon Carter.

History and geography—Class I, Edith Pense, Madalon Carter. Class II, Beatrice McGill.

English—Class I, Edith Pense, Beatrice McGill, Madalon Carter.

Mathematics—Class II, Edith Pense.

Divinity—Class I, Edith Pense, Madalon Carter. Class II, Beatrice McGill.

General proficiency — Class I, Edith Pense, Madalon Carter. Class II, Beatrice McGill.

PREPARATORY CLASS.

Latin—Class III, Dorothy Haskell.

French—Class I, Alice Hague, Bessie Robertson, Dorothy Haskell; class II, Emma Pense.

History and geography—Class I, Alice Hague, Dorothy Haskell, Bessie Robertson; class II, Mary Walton; class III, Emma Pense.

English—Class I, Dorothy Haskell, Alice Hague, (equal); Bessie Robertson, Emma Pense, Mary Walton.

Arithmetic—Class I, Dorothy Haskell, Bessie Robertson, Alice Hague; class III, Emma Pense.

Divinity—Class I, Alice Hague; class II, Dorothy Haskell, Emma Pense.

General proficiency—Class I, Alice Hague, Bessie Robertson, Dorothy Haskell; class II, Emma Pense.

Court Macdonald's Officers.

Court Macdonald, No. 441, Canadian Order of Foresters, elected officers to serve during 1896, at the annual meeting last night. The names of the successful candidates are:

W. J. Wells, J.P.C.R.; C. T. Dickson, chief ranger; J. C. Bennett, vice chief ranger; C. A. Thompson, recording secretary; W. F. Webster, financial secretary; W. J. Cunningham, chaplain; G. H. Leggatt, treasurer; Sergt. Maj. Morgans, senior warden; W. J. Thompson, junior warden; R. T. McCullough, S.B.; A. Howard, J. B.; Dr. Wood, physician.

The lodge is, according to the treasurer's report, in a very flourishing state financially.

The Late Mrs. Hallett.

CLOSING OF THE SCHOOLS.

THE PUBLIC SCHOOL PUPILS HAD MERRY TIMES.

Food Provided For Use Among the Poor—The Entertainments in Queen and Wellington Streets and Central Schools—An Evening Given Over to Enjoyment.

On Thursday all the pupils of Wellington street school brought a supply of vegetables to school with them and the total amount, which was large indeed, was sent to the poor relief society. The closing exercises in connection with this school occurred yesterday afternoon and was most successfully carried out. The senior third class room, in charge of Miss Davis, was tastefully decorated, snow shoes, tennis rackets, bunting, etc., being largely made use of. The programme consisted of songs, readings, recitations, all of which were well rendered. Miss Davis presented the boy coming out at the head of his class with "The Boys Own" magazine, and to the girl occupying a similar position with a copy of "Little Women."

The part I. class enjoyed a Christmas tree, and each of the pupils received a gift. The class is in charge of Miss McLeod.

The junior third class, in charge of Miss Herald, and II. class, taught by Miss Marsh, united and conducted their exercises together in the junior third classroom, which was nicely fitted up for the occasion. There was a large number of visitors at the different classes. Trustees Geo. Y. Chown and T. Lambert were present and assisted in making the events pass off pleasantly.

In Queen street school the pupils of the junior third class enjoyed a Christmas tree, and each of those in the other classes received a present. A pleasant afternoon was spent by both teachers and scholars.

At Central School.

The commercial class in the Central school had a happy gathering last night. Several rooms were tastefully decorated. The attendance of scholars and friends was large. The programme offered was pleasing. The items were: Chairman's address, J. G. Elliott; piano solo, Miss M. Hunter; recitation, Miss A. Callaghan; song, Miss Jones; mouth organ and mandolin solo, A. Routley; recitation, Miss G. Petch; piano solo, Miss E. Leader; duet, Misses Grant; recitation, Miss N. Hutcheson; piano solo, Master C. Hopkirk; recitation, Miss S. Hunter; piano duet, Misses Hutcheson and Haffner; song, Miss M. Grant; recitation, Ed. Lesslie; address, J. Galloway, jr.

A brief intermission was given during the rendition of the programme and at the close refreshments were served. During the day closing exercises occurred in the various rooms. Visitors were numerous and a merry time was generally had.

Did Excellent Work.

The examinations in connection with the commercial class in the Central school, conducted by Inspector Kidd, ended at noon yesterday. Only fourteen pupils tried the papers. The smallness of the number is accounted for by the fact that the majority of the class did not begin a study of the work until after the summer holidays. Consequently, not having advanced sufficiently, they could not try the recent examinations. The character of the shorthand and typewritten work is excellent and shows careful training. The results will be made known in the course of a few days.

Mete Out Punishment At Home.

In speaking of the conduct of school children and the duties of teachers, Inspector Kidd said that in every case where parents co-operate with the school teachers no trouble is experienced with the pupils. Some parents, however, expected too much from teachers and were ever ready to blame them of faults of which they, themselves, were guilty. Regarding punishment for truancy, the inspector maintains it should be administered at home by the parent or parents; the driving force should be behind. By punishing children at school for this offence, it leads them to detest attending classes, but the home punishment would have a tendency to drive them to school.

At St. Vincent's Academy.

The pupils of St. Vincent's academy, St. John's school and the convent, tendered a reception to Vicar-General Kelly in the assembly room of the academy yesterday afternoon. The recipient of the reception was presented with an address and a beautiful bouquet of flowers by the pupils. Fr. Kelly responded in a suitable manner and thanked the donors for their kind wishes and beautiful gift. Addresses were also delivered by Ald. Behan, Dr. Ryan, P. J. Howland and D. Egan. During the afternoon a splendid programme was rendered, consisting of songs, duets, recitations, instrumental selections, etc., which were highly appreciated.

A Trained Nurse Suffers From Rheumatism For Six Years, and is Then Cured in Four Days.

Mrs. E. Eisner, a trained nurse, of Halifax, living at 92 Cornwallis st., writes: "I have been a terrible sufferer for six years from rheumatism. Many doctors treated me, but relief was only temporary. A friend advised me to try South American Rheumatic Cure.... I did so, and after four days use of the remedy, to my great surprise and delight, I found myself entirely free from the disease. I am sure there is no rheumatic remedy in existence equal to this one." Sold by N. C. Polson & Co.

FORTY YEARS A SAILOR.

Captain James Allen a Veteran Of The Great Inland Lakes.

For forty years Captain James Allen, commander of the steamer Pierrepont, has been a sailor. He began his career in a ship yard at Cleveland, Ohio, but finding the work too hard he made up his mind

MORE THAN HALF The JOY OF CHRISTMAS

Is in the opening of our heart and the loosening of our purse strings.

The Alert Possessor of Money is Making an Extra Profit by Quick and Judicious Spending at

WOODS' FAIR

Everybody knows the one GREAT STORE which collects the largest quantities of new things for the holiday season and nobody ever stays away because we sell so much. The stocks, the service and the prices tell in our favor now more than ever before and nothing can stop the surging crowd of shoppers. The store's advantages were never more apparent and the immense trade of holiday time is handled with perfect ease and absolute satisfaction. Each day sees the closing out of great lots that cannot be replaced at the prices asked.

Bring the children as early as possible and get a chance at our Grab Bag. The enthusiasm is contagious and every section of the store is full of the holiday spirit. Come early! Come often!

BOOKS—
Pansy, Elsie, Boys' Library, Arlington Edition, Augusta Evans Wilson Series, nicely bound in cloth, your choice only 15c.

E. P. ROE—
Large size, fancy cloth binding, regular 35c books, our price only 18c.

LILY SERIES—
Regular 35c and 50c books, your choice for only 25c.

POEMS—
We keep one of the finest lines of Poems ever shown in the city, and prices the lowest.

TOY BOOKS—
In every imaginable shape; paper, linen and board. Prices from 1c to $2.

BIBLES—
Every Bible in the store reduced to about half price. Ask to see our Morocco bound Complete Bible at 40c; it is a beauty. Prayer Books, Hymn Books, (English and Methodist), Catholic Prayer Books.

CUPS AND SAUCERS—
Our department of Cups and Saucers was never before so complete, nor prices so low.
10c Cups and Saucers reduced to 5c.
15c Cups and Saucers reduced to 10c.
25c Cups and Saucers reduced to 15c.
50c Cups and Saucers reduced to 25c.

PLATES—
Tea plates, dessert plates, fruit plates, cake plates, plates of every description.

GAME AND FISH SETS—
$4.50 reduced to $3.75. $5 reduced to $3.95.
$6 reduced to $4.50. $7.25 reduced to $5.

BANQUET LAMPS—
Handsome hand-painted China banquet lamps and shades, brass removable fount, extra large, and centre draft burners. $1.75 reduced to $1. $2.25 reduced to $1.25. $3 reduced to $1.50.

BRASS BANQUET LAMPS—
Reduced to one-half regular price.

PLUSH GOODS—
See our 25c, 50c, 75c and $1 counters of Plush Goods. These goods were never before sold for less than double the money. Must be sold before the New Year.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

TOILET SETS—
Handsomely decorated Toilet Sets, 10 pieces, $2.75 reduced to $1.75. $3.50 reduced to $2.50.

CUTLERY—
CARVERS—Our stock of Carving Sets is complete. A good set, with white bone handles, best steel, only 49c.

KNIVES AND FORKS—
White Celluloid and Bone Handle Knives, in dinner and dessert sizes. Heavy silver plated forks, all sizes.

PEN KNIVES—
White Pearl Handle Pen Knives only 10c.
Bird Cages, Christmas Tree Ornaments, Christmas Tree Candles, Candle Holders, Toy Dishes from 10c up to $2, Toy Furniture, Wire Lamp Shade Frames (the greatest variety in the city), Games, Toys, Doll Carriages, Doll Sleighs.

DOLLS—
Over 100 different styles to select from.
Rocking Horses, shaped, with leather saddle, hair mane and tail, reduced from $1.50 to $1, $1.75 to $1.25. $3 to $2, $4 to $3. $6.50 to $4.50.

WOODEN HORSES—
10c reduced to 5c, 15c reduced to 10c, 25c reduced to 15c, 35c reduced to 25c, 50c reduced to 35c.

SHOO FLY ROCKERS—
Plain and upholstered, only 69c and 85c.

SLEIGHS—
75c reduced to 65c, $1 reduced to 75c, and about 25 sleighs, regular price $1.95, your choice only $1.

LAMPS—
Handsomely painted Stand Lamps and Shades, regular price $1, bargain only 50c.

LEATHER GOODS—
Gentlemen's leather travelling cases, shoe sets, etc., all reduced away down.

SLEIGH RUNNERS—
Fit up your express waggon or baby carriage with runners. Will fit any size, can be put on and taken off by anyone. Ask to see them when you are in.

VASES—
We have one of the finest lines of Vases and Statuettes ever shown in Kingston and prices the lowest.

The whole store is astir with activity, for we daily lubricate the axles of trade with the most attractive goods and bargains.

WOODS' FAIR, Cor. Princess & Wellington Sts.

INCIDENTS OF THE DAY.

Newsy Paragraphs Picked Up By Our Reporters In Their Rambles.

Capt. Lee's lecture on "Waterloo" brought in $70 to the 14th batt. fund.

St. James' young people's guild cleared $243 by their butterfly entertainment in the city hall last week.

The Kingston vehicle company has secured the $30,000 loan. Leading shareholders are advancing the amount for two years on eight per cent. debentures.

Tickets for the I.O.F. social may be had by the members from W. M. Drennan, J. W. Clark and Lambert & Walsh.

A branch of the King's Daughters, "The Helping Hand," treated the kindergarten class of the W. C. A. with a Christmas tree yesterday morning, each pupil receiving a token of cheer and good will.

What about those lovely perfumes at Hoag's drug store? They are very cheap. Call and see them.

The lack of forethought on the part of some people, who wheeled baby carriages through the crowded thoroughfares of the market to-day was the cause of considerable annoyance. There was little room for purchasers and much less for such vehicles.

"All the rage" is the general remark regarding Hoag's display of choice perfumes. Prices away down.

A meeting of the officers of the 14th batt. will be held this evening to consider some changes in the corps which have been in contemplation for some time. If the changes are adopted they will, it is expected, materially increase the efficiency of the regiment.

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